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SUBJ: TTBT/PNE NEGOTIATIONS - SUMMARY OF OCT 30 PLENARY

1. THE 12TH PLENARY SESSION BEGAN AT 10:40 WITH STOESSEL
CHAIRMAN.

2. STOESSEL GAVE FOLLOWING STATEMENT: QUOTE:

GOOD MORNING, MR. MINISTER.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO AN INFORMATIVE AND USEFUL SET OF
PRESENTATIONS TODAY.

IN MY SHORT STATEMENT THIS MORNING, WE WILL ONLY
RETURN BRIEFLY TO MY REMARKS OF YESTERDAY ON THE SUBJECT
OF INFORMATION EXCHANGE AND COOPERATION. IT IS OUR VIEW
THAT OUR PRIMARY TASK HERE IS TO DEVELOP A SATISFACTORY
PNE AGREEMENT UNDER ARTICLE III OF THE TREATY OF JUL 3,
1974, AND THAT THIS INCLUDES COOPERATION IN EXCHANGING
ALL DATA NEEDED FOR VERIFICATION. COOPERATION BEYOND
THIS ASPECT IS A MATTER WE ARE WILLING TO DISCUSS
WITHOUT COMMITMENT, AND WE UNDERSTAND INFORMATION BEYOND
THE NEEDS OF VERIFICATION MIGHT BE EXCHANGED IF A BROADER
AGREEMENT IS REACHED.

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AT THIS TIME, MR. MINISTER, I WOULD LIKE TO YIELD

THE FLOOR TO DR. FLEMING WHO WILL DISCUSS PRELIMINARY FINDINGS OF A RECENT US GAS STIMULATION EXPERIMENT, CALLED RIO BLANCO. END QUOTE.

3. MOROKHOV DID NOT RESPOND TO STOESSEL'S STATEMENT.

4. FLEMING PRESENTED A SHORT TECHNICAL REVIEW OF THE RIO BLANCO EXPERIMENT. THERE WERE SEVERAL TEHCNICAL QUESTIONS FOLLOWING THE PRESENTATION.

5. RODIONOV THEN DISCUSSED THE GENERATION OF SEISMIC SIGNALS FROM MULTIPLE SHOTS. HE STATED THAT IF THE "DEMOLITION" ZONES OF THE TWO SHOTS WERE SEPARATED BY MORE THAN TWICE THE DEMOLITION RADIUS, THE EXPLOSIONS SIGNALS WERE INDEPENDENT AND COULD, IN PRINCIPLE, BE RESOLVED. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF THE SECOND EXPLOSION WERE WITHIN THE DEMOLITION ZONE OF THE FIRST, THE TWO EXPLOSIONS COULD BE REGARDED AS A SINGLE SEISMIC SOURCE. (NOTE: HE DEFINED THE "DEMOLITION" ZONE TO BE THE ZONE OF NON-ELASTIC DEFORMATION.) RODIONOV ALSO REMARKED THAT, IN CASE OF CANAL CONSTRUCTION, THE CRITICAL DIMENSIONS OF LENGTH AND WIDTH WOULD REFLECT THE INDIVIDUAL AND AGGREGATE YIELDS, AND COULD BE DETERMINED BY NATIONAL TECHNICAL MEANS.

6. NOVIKOV CONTINUED THE DISCUSSION FROM THE POINT OF VIEW OF RESOLVING MULTIPLE EVENTS AT TELESEISMIC DISTANCES. IN DOING SO HE TOUCHED ON SOME OF THE NECESSARY SIGNAL PARAMETERS AND NOTED THE VALUE OF SEISMIC ARRAYS IN DETECTING MULTIPLE SHOTS. HE APPEARED FAMILIAR WITH US PUBLICATIONS ON SEISMIC ARRAYS. WHEN ASKED BY ROMNEY, HE CONFIRMED THAT UNLESS EXPLOSIONS ARE SEPARATED BY LARGE DISTANCES MEASURED IN KILOMETERS OR SEPARATED BY TIME INTERVALS OF SEVERAL TENTHS OF A SECOND IT WOULD BE VERY DIFFICULT TO RESOLVE MULTIPLE EXPLOSIONS BY NATIONAL SEISMIC MEANS.

7. MOROKHOV THEN SAID THAT IN HIS OPINION THE REPORTS
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GIVEN AT THE SESSION "SIMPLY PUT DOTS ON I'S." AND IN ORDER TO PUT FINAL DOTS IT WOULD BE INTERESTING TO HEAR PRESENTATION BY ROMNEY AS TO AMERICAN APPROACH TO VERIFICATION.

8. STOESSEL RESPONDED THAT ROMNEY MAY SPEAK ON THE SUBJECT AT NEXT MEETING.

9. JUST PRIOR TO MEETING, MYASNIKOV APOLOGIZED FOR
CORRECTING FLEMING'S RECOLLECTION EXPRESSED IN PLENARY OF
OCT 29 THAT THE TWO 2.3 KT SHOTS FOR OIL STIMULATION
WERE SIMULTANEOUS. HE STATED THAT IN FACT THEY WERE
SIMULTANEOUS, AND SAID HIS MEMORY HAD BEEN FAULTY.

10. NEXT MEETING WILL BE MORNING OF NOVEMBER 1.
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